

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): Method for generating an internal sequence of analog values that are synchronous to an external sequence coded in a received signal, the analog values having a specific period, which corresponds to ~~and is synchronous with an~~ the external sequence coded in a received signal and is synchronous with it, and the external sequence comprising repetitions of a fundamental sequence (s_1, \dots, s_N) of length N, which substantially corresponds to a sequence of binary values which can be produced by logical combination of a first generating binary sequence (p_1, \dots, p_N) of length N with a non-constant second generating binary sequence (q_1, \dots, q_N) of length N, ~~and the first generating binary sequence (p_1, \dots, p_N) being capable of being generated by a binary feedback shift register of length n, in which a next value (p_i) of the first generating binary sequence is produced in each case by binary logical combination of the an oldest value (p_{i-n}) of the binary feedback shift register with at least one of the values $(p_{i-n+1}, \dots, p_{i-1})$ subsequent value of the binary feedback shift register following the oldest value, following it, according to a fixed feedback pattern, and in which no segment of the length n occurs more often than once in the fundamental sequence, so that the position of such a segment is uniquely determined within with respect to the fundamental sequence (s_1, \dots, s_N) , characterized in that in each case the method comprising:~~

producing an intermediate value by a logical combination of an actual value of the external sequence with an actual value of a second generating sequence;

producing an input value to an analog feedback shift register by superposition of the intermediate value with an analog feedback value derived according to a feedback function from analog values in the analog feedback shift register, the analog feedback shift register having a length n and including a feedback pattern corresponding to a feedback pattern of the binary feedback shift register;

~~feeding a new the~~ input value (a_i) ~~is fed to the an~~ input of ~~an the~~ analog feedback shift register of length n ~~with a feedback pattern corresponding to that of said binary feedback shift register, which input value is produced by superposition of an analog feedback value derived from the values (a_{i-n}, \dots, a_{i-1}) in the analog feedback shift register according to a feedback function with an intermediate value which was produced by a logical combination of the actual value of the external sequence with an actual value (q_i) of the second generating sequence (q_1, \dots, q_N), the ; and~~

~~a position (i) of which of an~~ actual value ~~therein of the second generating sequence~~ follows the ~~corresponding to a position of a segment in with respect to~~ the first generating sequence (p_1, \dots, p_N), ~~which, the segment consists of including a determinative set of n binary values which were derived from the analog values (a_{i-n}, \dots, a_{i-1}) in the analog feedback shift register.~~

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): Method according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the first generating sequence (p_1, \dots, p_N) ~~is~~ includes an m -sequence of length $N = 2^n - 1$, so that each set of n binary values, except for one, occurs exactly once as a segment of length n therein.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): Method according to Claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the fundamental sequence is a Gold sequence.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims~~ Claim 1 ~~to 3,~~ characterized in that further comprising:

reading from a table the actual value (q_i) of the second generating binary sequence (q_1, \dots, q_N) ~~is in each case read out from a table with~~ using the determinative set ~~being used as~~ an address to read from.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 1 to 4,~~ characterized in that wherein the binary sequences each ~~consist of~~ include the values +1 and -1 and, ~~apart from possible change of sign,~~ the logical combination ~~is~~ includes a multiplication with a possible change of sign.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): Method according to Claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the magnitude of the feedback function is 1 if the magnitudes of the arguments are each 1.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): Method according to Claim 5 ~~or 6,~~ ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the sign of the feedback function always corresponds to the sign of the logical combination of the arguments.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 5 to 7,~~ characterized in that wherein the feedback function is invariant on interchange of the arguments.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 5 to 8,~~ characterized in that wherein the feedback function is antisymmetric and monotonic as a function of each argument.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 5 to 9,~~
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the feedback function is substantially a linear combination of
the arguments within substantially each sector characterized by specific values of the signs of
the arguments.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): Method according to Claim 10, ~~characterized in that~~
wherein the magnitude of the feedback function substantially corresponds to the mean value
of the magnitudes of the arguments.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 6 to 11,~~
~~characterized in that~~ further comprising:

producing the feedback value is produced by multiplication of the value of the
feedback function with a factor $k < 1$, which is preferably between 0.90 and 0.99.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 5 to 12,~~
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the determinative set ~~consists of the~~ includes binary values
which in each case have ~~the a~~ same sign as ~~the a~~ corresponding analog value ($a_{i-n}; \dots; a_{i-1}$) in
the analog shift register.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims Claim 1 to 13,~~
~~characterized in that~~ further comprising:

deriving a basic sequence from the received signal, the external sequence ~~corresponds~~
corresponding to a plurality of copies, directly in succession with respect to time, of a the
basic sequence ~~which is derived from the received signal, the~~ and a length of which each of
the plurality of copies corresponds to the length N of the fundamental sequence.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): Method according to Claim 14, ~~characterized in that~~
further comprising:

generating the basic sequence ~~is generated by~~ adding the values of a plurality of
sequences of length N which are derived successively from the received signal.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): Method according to ~~any of Claims~~ Claim 1 to 15,
~~characterized in that~~ further comprising:

generating a binary output signal indicating complete synchronization ~~is generated if~~
the magnitudes of ~~the~~ values (a_i) of the internal sequence exceed a threshold value.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): Synchronization circuit for carrying out ~~the a~~
received signal synchronization method as claimed in any of claims 1 to 16, said circuit
comprising:

an analog feedback shift register having an input for receiving an ~~configured to~~
receive an external sequence of analog values ~~which is derived from a~~ the received signal and
~~an~~ values in the analog feedback shift register (25);

a feedback circuit (26) ~~connected thereto with~~ to taps of the analog feedback shift
register according to a specific feedback pattern and ~~intended for evaluating~~ configured to
evaluate a feedback function for determining and thereby determine a feedback value[[,]];
and

a superposition circuit ~~for superposing~~ configured to superpose the feedback value
with an intermediate value, ~~characterized in that it additionally comprises;~~

a memory (29) from which ~~in each case a value can be~~ is configured to be read out ~~according to a table with using~~ a determinative set derived from the values stored in the analog feedback shift register (25) as a memory address[[,]]; and

a logic element (23) ~~for producing~~ configured to produce the intermediate value by logical combination of the value read out ~~from the memory with the~~ a value present in the external sequence of analog values at the input.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): Synchronization circuit according to Claim 17, ~~characterized in that further comprising:~~

a gain block (27) ~~for producing~~ configured to produce the feedback value from its ~~an~~ initial value ~~follows and connected to an output of the feedback circuit (26), and~~

wherein the superposition circuit ~~is in the form of~~ includes an adder (24) ~~for adding~~ configured to add the feedback value to the intermediate value.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): Synchronization circuit according to Claim 17 ~~or 18~~, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ further comprising:

a discriminator (28) ~~for generating~~ configured to generate a binary output signal indicating synchronization, ~~the~~ including an input ~~of which discriminator is connected to the~~ an output of the feedback circuit (26) ~~and which discriminator preferably comprises a squaring circuit, a low-pass filter and a threshold value detector.~~

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): Receiver for receiving a signal, ~~which comprises the receiver comprising~~ at least one synchronization circuit according to ~~any of Claims~~ Claim 17 to 19 for deriving an internal sequence from the received signal.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): Receiver according to Claim 20, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ further comprising at least one pair of identical synchronization circuits, one of which is connected via an inverter (20) and the other directly to a common input.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): Receiver according to Claim 20 ~~or 21, characterized in that it comprises~~ further comprising at least one pair of identical synchronization circuits ~~which in each case are~~ connected via a sampling element (16; 17) to a common input, ~~with the receiver further comprising a delay element (18) which shifts~~ connected to an input of at least one sampling element and configured to shift the sampled values ~~in each case by a part of a chip length in front of at least one sampling element (17).~~

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): Receiver according to ~~any of Claims Claim 20 to 22,~~ Claim 20 to 22, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ further comprising:

an oscillator (12) ~~for generating~~ configured to generate a first sinewave signal and a second sinewave signal phase-shifted relative thereto ~~to the first sinewave signal~~ by 90° [[,]]; and

at least one pair of identical synchronization circuits[[,]]; and
~~each with a mixer (11; 13) in front for mixing~~ connected to an input of each of the identical synchronization circuits and configured to mix the received signal with the first sinewave signal or the second sinewave signal.

Claim 24 (New): Synchronization circuit of Claim 19, wherein the discriminator further comprises a squaring circuit, a low-pass filter and a threshold value detector.